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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

This paper is being filed in response to the Notice mailed August 29, 2003. In response to the Notice, applicants are submitting herewith the "Claims" section of the amendment filed on August 11, 2003. The claims have been corrected to address the omission of text of the withdrawn claims and to correct the status identifiers indicated in the notice.

Applicants submit that the amendment is now in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121. Please direct any questions to the undersigned agent.

Respectfully submitted,

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